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Taylor-Bounds House
Quantico
Private

c. 1820, c. 1840, 1855, c. 1880

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: TAYLOR-BOUNDS HOUSE

MHT Inventory Number: WI-26

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
- 2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Development Period(s):
AGRICULTURAL/INDUSTIRAL TRANSITION
1815-1870
- 4) Resource Type(s): Single-family dwelling

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. WI-26

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic TAYLOR-BOUNDS HOUSE

and/or common

2. Location

street & number East side of Main Street ☐ not for publication

city, town Quantico ☐ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Wicomico

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Mr. and Mrs. James McDonald

street & number 1400 Woodland Road telephone no.:

city, town Salisbury state and zip code MD 21801

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court liber 980

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio 653

city, town Salisbury state MD 21803

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Maryland Historic Sites Inventory

date 1972 ☐ federal ☒ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Crownsville state MD 21032

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Taylor-Bounds house stands on the east side of Main Street in the village of Quantico, Wicomico County, Maryland. The two-story, seven-bay frame house faces west with the principal gable roof oriented on a north/south axis. Due to the large size of the house the structure has been converted to a two-family dwelling.

Built in at least four principal stages, the two-story seven-bay front block with two separate service wings, was begun around 1820 with the construction of a two-story, side hall/parlor frame house that comprises the southernmost section of the house. Around 1835 a two-story, one-room plan addition was built on the north gable end making the house five bays across with a center hall plan. Around 1855 it was decided to extend the house even farther north with the construction of a two-story, two-bay gable-front addition that had an individual entrance and front porch. During the late nineteenth century (c. 1880-1900) two service wings were built to the rear when the house was divided for two families instead of one. Supported on a continuous brick foundation, the house is sheathed with vinyl siding, and the medium pitched roof is covered with asphalt shingles.

The west (main) elevation of the main block is an asymmetrical seven-bay facade with the southern five bays comprising the oldest portions of the house. Framed between two brick chimneys, the five-bay facade has a center entrance sheltered by a gable roof porch supported on square posts with built-in seats. Flanking the six-panel front door are two-over-two sash windows that light the first floor rooms, and the windows retain louvered shutters. The second floor is marked by a slightly uneven spacing of two-over-two sash windows that have louvered shutters as well. The base to the roof is finished with a boxed cornice. The west face of the mid-nineteenth century gable-front addition is two bays across with a side entrance and flanking six-over-six sash window hung with louvered shutters. The raised-panel front door is topped by a diamond-shaped muntin transom. Sheltering the front door is a gable-front portico supported on square posts and retaining mid nineteenth century railings. The second floor is lighted by six-over-six sash windows, which have louvered shutters. Piercing the gable end pediment is a rectangular, multi-pane attic window.

The south gable end of the oldest section is dominated by an exterior common bond brick chimney that has corbelled shoulders. Two-over-two sash windows flank the stack to light the first and second floors. Small two-over-two sash windows light the attic. The gable end is finished flush.

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8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

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organization Private Consultant

date 9/15/93

street & number P. O. Box 5

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Description continued

The interior of the house survives with much of its original early to mid-nineteenth century woodwork. The front hall retains an early nineteenth century stair with a scroll decorated stringer, rectangular balusters and a circular profile handrail. Six-panel doors are framed by early nineteenth century molded surrounds.

The parlor to the south of the hall has an early twentieth century brick mantel, while early nineteenth century moldings remain otherwise. The room to the north, used as a dining room, has a Greek Revival influenced mantel with semi-detached Tuscan columns supporting a molded mantel shelf. The room is trimmed with second quarter of the nineteenth century door and window surrounds as well as baseboard and chair rail moldings.

The second floor of the early nineteenth century house retains many original features as well. The upstairs hallway has an enclosed staircase that provides access to the attic. A beaded board partition wall and flat six-panel door enclose the stair, and a small beaded board door provides access to a small closet beneath the staircase. A small room at the west end of the hall is entered through a doorway trimmed with an early nineteenth century surround. The small hall room is trimmed with original chair rail and baseboard moldings.

The bedrooms to each side, entered through six-panel doors, are fitted with Greek Revival mantels with semi-detached columns. Providing access to the rear wing are shallow profile four-panel doors.

The attic is unfinished with the common rafter roof system essentially unaltered. About mid-way through the attic there is clear evidence where the initial 1820s house ended and the 1840 addition begins. Gable ends studs with sheared cut nails on the former outside wall are still in place.

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Quantico, Maryland
Significance continued

This important house is classfied under Category A, which identifies a structure that must be retained since it is historically significant and exhibits many good architectural details representative of a period of architectural development and it contributes uniquely and superlatively to the character of the district.

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TAYLOR-BOUNDS HOUSE
Quantico
Chain of title

980/653

John C. Bailey, Jr.
Frances B. Bailey

to

10/28/1982

James S. McDonald
Katherine B. McDonald

AJS 966/163

Mercantile Safe Deposit and
Trust Company, et al. Representative
of the Estate of Catherine Allison Hodgson

to

9/22/1981

John C. Bailey, Jr.
Frances B. Bailey

First item: land situated in Quantico--
land that was conveyed unto Mercantile
Safe Deposit and Trust Company Personal
Representative of the estate of Richard
H. Hodgson by Item Thirteen of a deed
dated August 9, 1972 JWS 768/267

Second Item: being same land conveyed
unto Joseph L. Bailey by Virginia A. C.
Bounds by deed dated April 6, 1894
JTT 12/484, the said Joseph L. Bailey
having since departed this life testate
7/29/1930, JAH 1/302

JTT 12/484

Virginia A. C. Bounds

to

4/6/1894

Judge Joseph L. Bailey

\$600.00 all that house and lot of ground
situate in the town of Quantico
Wicomico County, Maryland on the
east side of Main Street of said
town lying between the property
of J. L. Langsdale on the north

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Chain of title continued

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and the Methodist Protestant parsonage property on the south being the same property where the said Virginia A. C. Bounds resided prior to her moving to Baltimore City.

Somerset County
Land Record
LW 8/567

1/24/1865

Received of Levin Bounds, trustee to sell the real estate of the parties to the cause of Equity in the Court for Somerset County in which Levin Bounds & Virginia Bounds his wife are complainants and Rosella E. Taylor is the defendant, for the sum of \$1898.81

(through a settlement of this case in Somerset County court, Levin Bounds evidently ended up with much of the Taylor lands including his Quantico house)

GH 8/174

James B. Moore

to

7/6/1835

John W. Taylor

\$800.00 "Gale Generosity"

1 acre as it stands inclosed at present situated in Quantico lying on the east of the road leading through Quantico

GH 8/120

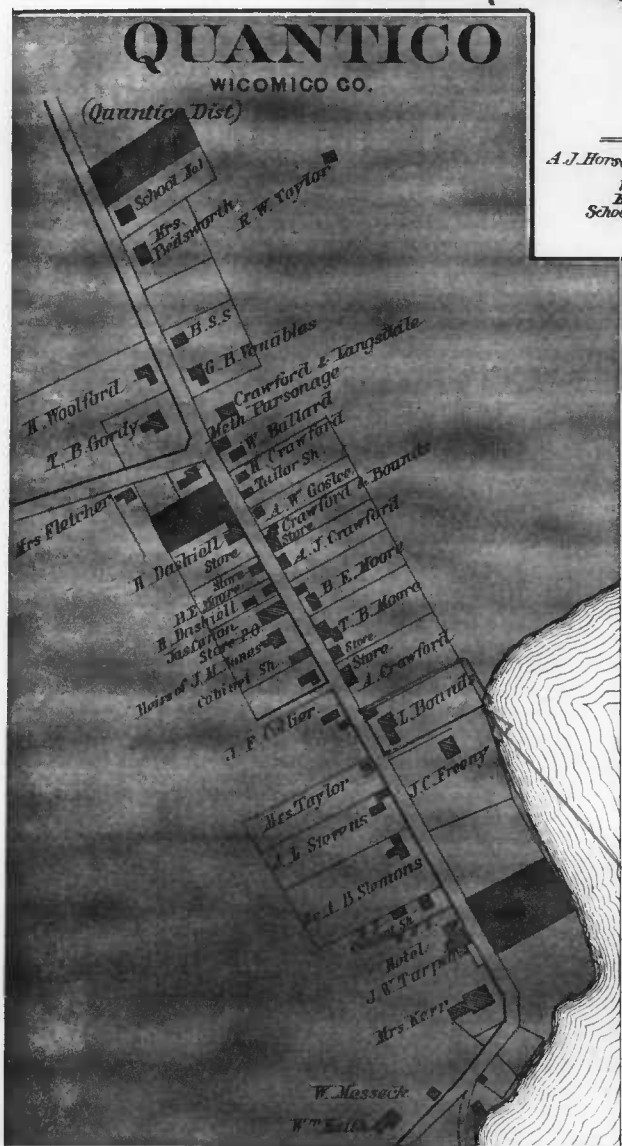
John Austin
Jane Austin

to

4/27/1835

James B. Moore

\$105.00 part of George Gales Generosity one acre more or less as it stands enclosed



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TAYLOR-BOUNDS HOUSE
Quantico, Wicomico Co., Maryland
1877 Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson
Atlas







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WAC

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